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SUBJECT: VOLUNTARY VISITOR: MR. KEIICHIRO HIRATA

1. MR. KEIICHIRO HIRATA, AGE 65, FORMER VICE MINISTER OF FINANCE, FORMER PRESIDENT, JAPAN DEVELOPMENT BANK AND CURRENTLY GOVERNOR, JAPAN REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (A GOVERNMENT BODY) HAS REQUESTED ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING INTERVIEWS IN WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK DURING A FORTHCOMING VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES IN EARLY SEPTEMBER.

2. MR. HIRATA IS ASKING THE FOLLOWING REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JAPAN DEVELOPMENT BANK IN WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK FOR ASSISTANCE:

WASHINGTON, D.C. - MR. KOHJI FUJITA, CHIEF REPRESENTATIVE, JAPAN DEVELOPMENT BANK WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE, SUITE 600, 1019 19TH STREET, N.W. 20036 (TEL: 202-331-8696).

NEW YORK CITY - MR. NAOFUMI SHIMADA, CHIEF REPRESENTATIVE, JAPAN DEVELOPMENT BANK NEW YORK OFFICE, 71 BROADWAY 10006 (TEL: 212-269-0527).

2. IN WASHINGTON, MR. HIRATA WILL BE STAYING AT THE WATERGATE HOTEL (SEPTEMBER 1 THROUGH 4) AND AT THE PLAZA IN NEW YORK (SEPTEMBER 4 AND 5). IN WASHINGTON HE WISHES TO TALK WITH INDIVIDUALS, GOVERNMENT OR PRIVATE, INVOLVED WITH LONG RANGE NATIONAL PLANNING (IN VIEW OF THE BICENTENNIAL, THE NEXT HUNDRED YEARS  
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WAS SUGGESTED) IN THE BROADEST SENSE, COVERING

ECONOMICS, SOCIAL, CULTURAL, TECHNOLOGICAL, ETC.  
POST DOES NOT KNOW WHETHER SUCH A GOVERNMENT OFFICE  
EXISTS BUT SUGGESTS BROOKINGS INSTITUTION AS ONE  
SOURCE AND POSSIBLY ONE OR TWO CONGRESSIONAL  
COMMITTEES. GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY ANOTHER POSSIBILITY.

3. IN NEW YORK, HIRATA REQUESTS THE DEPARTMENT'S  
ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING A MEETING WITH  
UN AMBASSADOR  
MOYNIHAN. HIRATA SPENT SOME TIME WITH MOYNIHAN DURING  
LATTER'S VISIT TO JAPAN IN LATE 1973. OTHER MEETINGS  
WILL BE ARRANGED BY MR. SHIMADA.

4. REGRET THE LATENESS OF THIS REQUEST, BUT IN VIEW  
HIRATA'S STATURE AND CLOSE ASSOCIATION WITH MANY  
INFLUENTIAL LEADERS OF GOVERNMENT, WE URGE DEPARTMENT  
TO GIVE THIS TOP PRIORITY.  
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